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Committee Bill No. 962

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-STATE PLACEMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) (a) Any public agency that places a child, as defined in
2 section 17a-93 of the general statutes, in a residential facility outside of
3 Connecticut shall enter into a written contract with the facility at the
4 time of the placement. Such written contract shall establish clear
5 standards for the child's care and treatment, including, but not limited
6 to, requirements for monthly written reports and weekly oral
7 communication concerning the child's care and treatment. The written
8 contract shall require the facility to report promptly to the placing
9 agency any allegation that the child is abused or neglected, as defined
10 in section 46b-120 of the general statutes, or any incident of abuse or
11 neglect of an individual placed in the facility. The written contract also
12 shall set forth child-specific goals and expectations for treatment and
13 progress.

14 (b) The placing agency shall ensure that an individual who is
15 qualified to evaluate the child's treatment and progress monitors the
16 child's care and treatment by monthly visits to the child and facility, by
17 review of monthly written reports and by weekly telephone calls to

18 facility staff responsible for the child's treatment and, if appropriate,
19 the child. The placing agency shall ensure that a discharge plan is
20 developed within two weeks of the child's placement in the facility.
21 The same qualified individual responsible for monitoring the child's
22 treatment shall review on a quarterly basis the contract and the
23 discharge plan for progress toward treatment goals and conditions
24 necessary for discharge.

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